# STATE BY COUNTIES.

Each of the Fifty-Four Passed in Review.

A VERY VALUABLE EXHIBIT

Soil and Physical Characteristics Taxation, Schools, Churches and Highways-Natural Resources. Fine Openings for Settlers.

THE fifty-four countles of Wes Virginia arrayed in detail make a remarkable showing for a young State whose development begun. The alphabetical arent has been chosen to serve the rangement has oven entoned to serve the sible a well known citizen of inty has been induced to write the article, and where leave was given the writer's name is signed. The general aterial was so great that many excellent articles had to be greatly reyd. In other cases meagre returns l counties will explain any ng neglect. These county articles will well repay any one who is inter-ested in West Virginia. It has cost a reat effort to bring together all this in on in detail, but in its completed i, condensed as it is, it is almost the ure of to-day's INTELLIGENCER, county returns show a present plation of 800,000, based on the ions, a gain of 182,000 since 1880, axation for all purposes is 35 a the \$100 of valuation, BARROUR COUNTY.

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tal rate of taxation is \$1.27 on the \$100.

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a shows a considerable increase over for-

P. are 180 schools with the same numer of a naving an attendance of 3,000 pupils. It was new spaces published at the counties Paintain and Republished. There at thirty churches in the county reprettle Methodish, Baptist, Presbyterian, Brethen, Dunkards and Catholic decident.

A County Rich in Coal, Iron Ore and Ti ber-Fertile Farming Lands.

### BOONE COUNTY. A Rich Mineral and Timber Country-

A Rich Mineral and Timber Country—New People Wanted.

Madison, (county seat) March, 1888,—Boone county was organized in 1817. The population is 6,000. The total assessed valuation is 900,435, and the total rate of taxation is \$1.50 on the 3100 valuation. There are two Methodist and two Baptist churches in the county. There are 2.6 schools with 24 teachers and an attention of 1,560 papils. There is one newspaper per Renderly in the county, the Western and an attention of the projected. The stilling me was a first the county in Francisco. The country in the people of the country in the season of the country in the season froute to Wyoming county. The Kentucky & Tonnessee road runs the wildth of the country from north to south, crossing the line of the Norfolk & Western at Madison, and passing into Logan country and thence into Kentucky.

The waterways are Big and Little Coal rivers.

BERKELEY COUNTY. a Agricultural Section—Open Farmers and Manufacturers.

MINERALS.

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### Martinsburg, W. Va. CABELL COUNTY.

and Prosperous Section

g are three foundries and machine shops, a paint factory with a capacity of 500 gallons daily, and several large class factories. There is a considerable jobiling trade, good hotels and similar considerable in the several large class factories. The several large class factories with the several large class and several large class and several large class and several large considerable to the several large considerable to the several large considerable. The soil of the county is very rich, and the second first considerable to the several large considerable to the soil large considerable. The climate is salubrious and the general health of good. Catell is a growing county, and shows a liberal and progressive princes, grant health of population. Fat gracker factories, creameries, tuniseries, chain works, structural iron yorks, tank works, for the manufacture, chain works, structural iron yorks, tank works, bridge works, cotton and woolen factories, and presend works for the manufacture chain works, structural iron works, furnity and stand are invited and will be liberally dealt with.

CALHOUN COUNTY.

### DODDRIDGE COUNTY. Fine Lumber Section-Excellent Far

## FAYETTE COUNTY.

dve Coal Mining and Coke Making

TOBACCO RAISING

RGE J. THOMPSON.

## GRANT COUNTY.

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defined the county for a disance of fourteen miles, making accessible thousands of acres in Grant from the county for a disance of fourteen miles, making accessible thousands of acres in Grant county. There are several other projected roads whieli, when completed, will aid in developing the resources of the county and contribute to the bottom of the county in the southeastern of the promaeriver runs through the southeastern of the promaeriver runs through the southeastern of the profit of the county. The soll of the bottoms is deep loan, especially adapted to grazing and remain mising. The cuttle raised in this section are commands the bighest prices in the castern markets. Sheep, cuttle and horse breeding is one of the principal industries of the people.

The whole county is undertaid with workable veins of coal of the finest quality, the thickest being all feet. Iron ore also abounds. Limetone is found in some parts of the county.

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The unarket value of improved farm land averages 230 per arc, the lowes being 38 and the highest 800. Unimproved lands, suitable for farming and grazing, sell for \$151; lowest \$1, averaging \$8. Two-thirds of the land in the county is uncleased, and the price is advancing steadily of waits of the county and has materially enhanced prices. New people are waited.

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GILMERT COUNTY.

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GREENBRIER COUNTY.

A Great Grazing Region and Timber

FINE TIMBER.

## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.

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country and compete soon, with Wheeling capital at the head of it. Paving by the coming pavement and the business is only in its

OTHER INDUSTRIES.

New Cumberland, W. Va.

## HARDY COUNTY.

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triangle formed by the three heights, vis: Mary-

MINERALS.

### KANAWHA COUNTY. Great Coal, Coke and Timber District Be ing Eapidly Settled and Developed.

DIVER IMPROVEMENTS. The Kanawha river is the principal structure county. The other rivers are the Elkauley, Coal and Pocatalico. The Elkavigable for steamers for about twenty he other strange are used for details less than the county transmission.

Fine Grazing and Stock Raising

CHARACTER OF SOIL AND CROPS The county his hilly, but not rocky inous, is well watered, and intersp